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SENATOR THOMPSON: Right, and I would like to withdraw those amendments and substitute.

CLERK: You want to withdraw everything you have up here, with the exception of the one you just gave me?

SENATOR THOMPSON: Right, AM1956.

CLERK: Okay, get...bear with me just a moment then, would you, please.

SENATOR THOMPSON: Yes.

CLERK: Okay, Senator, I have AM1956 in front of me. (Legislative Journal pages 1903-1904.)

SENATOR THOMPSON: Thank you.

SENATOR CUDABACK: All above amendments are withdrawn. We'll open on AM1956.

SENATOR THOMPSON: AM1956 is submitted by Senator Dwite Pedersen and me and is the work of a compromise worked with Policy Research Office. And, normally, I have a one-pager, but this compromise, as many, many times happens, was just kind of hot off the press. And I think it addresses a lot of the concerns that we spent a lot of time talking about on the first eight hours on this bill. And I think we've come to a place where we can agree that if we add this amendment then I think my opposition and I think that of my colleagues who had a concern may be satisfied. I haven't had a chance to talk to everybody, because this amendment just arrived in my office, just a few minutes ago. But what we are doing is attempting to modify the original amendment. It still gives the Office of Juvenile Services the authority to make the placement, but it provides clarification of judicial oversight. This will keep us in compliance for federal funding, it will keep in place a set of checks and balances so that the court will have oversight, if there are issues that need to be brought to it. It also provides for another duty for the Juvenile Justice Team, that